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This is the Larken Disk Formatter modified for my own use. You may wish to use it as well; my modifications are in the public domain. The machine code is the same as that used by the standard program, FORMAT.BL. Only the BASIC has been changed. When the program loads, a brief title screen is displayed until you press a key. Then you'll see the two-line menu at the bottom of the screen:

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Dr:0  Sides:2  Tracks:40  HS:6
Name Fmt Kat Cpy Bkup GoDFM  Quit
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The upper 22 lines of the screen show the current name of the disk to be formatted. This name can be quite long and can contain descriptive information.

The FIRST line of the menu describes how the disk will be formatted:

Dr:0 means that Drive 0 is the selected drive.

Note: To select a drive, press key D repeatedly, or key 0 to 4.

Sides: Press key S to toggle number of sides (1 or 2).

Tracks: Press key T to cycle through 35, 40, 80.

HS: Press key H to cycle through head speeds.

The SECOND line of the menu shows the available commands:

Name: This command allows you to write a disk name.
The name may include carriage returns, written via the ENTER key. To conclude the name, press SS+A (STOP).

Note: If you have pressed key N by mistake, and don't want to change the current name, press ENTER immediately, before writing anything.

Fmt: Press key F to FORMAT a disk, using the name on the screen, and the parameters in Menu First Line.

Note: this command (and some others) require you to confirm by pressing the command key again. Press any other key to cancel the command.

Kat: This command catalogs the selected drive.

Cpy: This command copies a disk from one drive to another.

Bkup: this command saves JFORM.BL on the selected drive.

GoDFM: This command loads the companion program DFM.B2 from the selected drive. Of course the disk in the selected drive should contain DFM.B2.

Quit: this command exits to BASIC. Run to resume.

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